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WIFE TURNS DETECTIVE AND RUNS HUBBY DOWN

"Kid" Wiley, Enamored by Minnie Fitch, Notorious Character of Parkersburg, is Object of the Vengeance of His Irate Wife, and Gets Run In.

Chases Him Across the Country and Gets Him in Durance Vile at Last—Persuades Bondsman to Surrender Him and an Officer Goes to Bring Him Back.

"Mrs. W. A. Wiley, who claims Clarksville as her home, who says her husband is infatuated with a Parkersburg woman, attempted to land him Wednesday night," says the Parkersburg Sentinel, "but he saw her first, and, being the best sprinter of the two, he made his escape after a chase up Ann street."

"Mrs. Wiley came here about three weeks ago, and going to police headquarters stated that her husband had come to Parkersburg, and she was satisfied that he was here. The officers learned that he had left with Minnie Fitch, the same day Mrs. Wiley arrived. The latter was not daunted but followed them to Cincinnati and Columbus and then to Marietta, Wednesday evening they started to Parkersburg and she followed. As soon as she arrived here she invoked the aid of the police in arresting her husband. Several officers were detailed for that purpose, while Mrs. Wiley also went out to look around. Going up Ann street, she encountered him at the corner of Seventh street, and made a grab for him, but he ducked and ran, with the woman in hot pursuit, but he was too swift for her and made his escape.

"Wiley was captured Thursday at the Fitch resort, on lower Market street, where he was in hiding. He was taken to police headquarters and looked up on a charge of loitering.

"His wife informed the officers that her husband is out on bond for an offense committed at Clarksville, and that she had put up her diamonds as surety on the bond."

Wiley is a well known young member of the sporting fraternity of Clarksville. Last spring he was arrested, on the charge of having stolen a lot of diamonds from one who styled herself Miss Mabel Ross, of Baltimore. He was thrown into jail, but later gave bond, and still later he was indicted for felony and again arrested. Some days later he succeeded through the importunities of his wife in getting several prominent business men to go on his bond. After this was done he was released from custody.

Mrs. Wiley comes from a splendid Fairmont family and is a lady of respectability. This had no effect on her husband, however, and he soon left her and took up with the Parkersburg woman, but not, according to her story, until after he had abused her. When he left her she returned to her home in Fairmont. About a month ago she heard that he was to be in Clarksville at a certain time and she came from Fairmont to her home in Clarksville. Upon her arrival she found Wiley at their home. He immediately told her that he was going to leave her. She informed him that she would follow him. Then he started out and went up on Lowland hill. She followed him and on the hill he abused and threatened her but did not act of violence. They finally came down the hill together, but when they arrived in the center of the city, he changed his mind about going home. He concluded he wanted something to eat and so did she, but instead of going to an eating house he led her another trip up Lowland hill, where he again abused her. But they finally went home together. She was all worn out and concluded to go to bed, he agreeing not to go away. She could not sleep and as she thought he would likely go to Parkersburg on the morning train, she dressed and went to the depot for the midnight train. About the time the train was due Wiley appeared at the depot and as soon as he saw her he again began to threaten her and would likely have done her bodily harm had not the police interfered. He then concluded not to go away and they went home together. Later, however, he left her.

In the meantime he had become greatly infatuated with the Parkersburg woman and he spent much of his

time at her place. She not only harbored him but also gave him diamonds and other valuables. The woman finally came to Clarksville and told Mrs. Wiley that she had done all these things for Wiley and that she proposed to have her husband.

About ten days ago Mrs. Wiley got on the train of Wiley again. She located him at the home of the woman in Parkersburg and went to that city, but they skipped to Cincinnati. She followed only to find they had gone to Marietta. Then she went there but did not find them. Then she went back to Parkersburg, made her complaint to the officials of that city and was sworn in as a special detective. She stationed herself at the place of the woman who had allured her husband from her. The latter woman came home, found out who the stranger was and ascertained her with a beer bottle. She fled and as she was riding on a street car, she spied her unfaithful husband. She jumped up, pulled the bell cord, had the car stopped, jumped off and ran toward her husband. He took to his heels and outran her. She went to her stopping place, retired for the night, but was up bright and early and with officers went to the resort and her husband was captured. She had him thrown into jail for violating the laws in Parkersburg, but could not have him held on the charge in Clarksville. Only his bondsman could do that. So, Mrs. Wiley came back to Clarksville and consulted with the bondsman. After hearing her story they made up their minds to surrender him. Accordingly they had the prosecuting attorney to telegraph the authorities at Parkersburg to hold Wiley. Friday morning Constable Guy Merrill, accompanied by Mrs. Wiley, went to Parkersburg to bring Wiley back.

Mrs. Wiley will immediately sue for divorce and will also bring suit to recover a large amount of damages from the Parkersburg woman, who is reputed as quite wealthy, having accumulated much property from her nefarious business.

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EXPLOSIONS BRING DEATHS

MANY KILLED AND OTHERS INJURED BY SERIES OF EXPLOSIONS TO CLEAN GAS WORKS.

ONE BUILDING COLLAPSES WITH TWENTY PEOPLE IN IT BURYING THEM IN RUINS.

Panic Reigns Among the Residents in the Vicinity Where the Explosions Occurred Because of the Awful Catastrophe.

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 18.—By a series of explosions for the purpose of purifying the tanks of the gas works at 74th street and South Chicago Avenue, a number of lives were lost and others injured today.

It is said one building containing twenty men collapsed, burying them in its ruins.

There is a panic among the residents in that vicinity.

The explosion was in the railroad gas charging station, where small tanks are charged to be attached to cars for lighting.

Eight dead bodies have been recovered. It is said ten more employees are missing.

By Associated Press.

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 18.—The American Anti-Saloon League today elected Bishop Luther D. Wilson, of Maryland, president; P. A. Baker, of Columbus, general superintendent; E. C. Denwidie, of Washington, D. C., legislative superintendent; Foster Copeland, of Columbus, O., treasurer. Among the vice presidents is Bishop F. Hamilton of San Francisco.

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CROSS WAS CROSS

With Katherine Smithers and Magistrate Now Says He Must Be Good For Six Months.

Charles Cross, colored, was up before Squire M. S. Riley Thursday night upon complaint of Katherine Smithers, colored, who resides in Point Comfort. Some days ago Cross tanked up with bad whiskey, of some other kind, and made life miserable for the Smithers woman. He made threats against her, and she thought it good for her safety to get him under a peace bond, although that is not likely to cut much figure when he gets tanked up again. The magistrate heard the case, and after due and solemn reflection over the evidence, did his official duty, as he saw fit, by requiring a bond of \$30 of Cross to keep the peace six months and not get cross again in that time.

WAR MAN HAS RESIGNED

General Huertas is No Longer War Minister, But Will Receive Salary Equal to Pension.

By Associated Press.

PANAMA, Nov. 18.—General Huertas, war minister, has resigned. He is left with the rank of general unattached, but with a salary equal to a pension. The army will not be disbanded. General Yuandea is in command of the troops. Everything is quiet now.

STEAMER BURNED

Off Long Island But the Steamer Boston Rescues All the Crew of Ill-Fated Mohawk.

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—The Central Vermont's freight steamer, Mohawk, was burned off Horton's Point, Long Island, today. The crew was rescued by the steamer Boston.

Sherman Jaxox Is Ill.

Sherman Jaxox, apprentice at the Telegram office, is quite ill and is confined to his home in the Wine addition. His friends as well as the Telegram hope he will pull through and be able to get back to his work without having a siege of sickness.

Bowling Was Bloody.

The bowling alley on Pike street was the scene of some blood Thursday evening shortly after six o'clock. Samson Herbert and two associates came out of the affair, bleeding rather profusely from the head and nose. There seemed to have been a knife or so used in the melee. So far no arrests have been made.

By Associated Press.

TOKIO, Nov. 18.—Noji telegraphs the destruction of another Russian arsenal and magazine at Port Arthur.

MASONS MEETING IS OVER

GRAND LODGE OF WEST VIRGINIA CONCLUDES ITS FORTIETH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION AFTER ALL NIGHT SESSION.

FINAL SESSION CLOSURES WITH THE ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AFTER ALL BUSINESS IS FINISHED UP.

Next Annual Meeting Will Be Held in Charleston Next November—Meeting Here Was Most Successful and Largest Attended Ever Held.

The most successful, auspicious and largest attended annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of West Virginia came to a close in the early hours Friday morning after an all night session in Masonic hall, with the election and installation of Grand officers to serve for the coming year. The new officers are:

Grand Master—L. H. Clarke, of Kyle.

Deputy Grand Master—George W. McClintock, of Charleston.

Senior Grand Warden—Tom G. Strickler, of Ellenboro.

Junior Grand Warden—James A. Bryan, of Parkersburg.

Grand Treasurer—S. N. Myers, of Martinsburg.

Grand Secretary—George W. Atkinson, of Charleston.

Grand Lecturer—J. M. McConahay, of Charleston.

Senior Grand Deacon—E. M. Sawwater, of Fairmont.

Junior Grand Deacon—Frank W. Clark, of New Martinsville.

Grand Marshal—H. B. Bagley, of Wheeling.

Grand Pursuivant—Wyndham Stokes, of Welch.

Grand Tyler—W. H. Ross, of Wheeling.

The district deputy grand masters of the various districts of the state were appointed by the grand master, William Fleming, of Fairmont, was appointed for the district which Clarksville is in. This district includes the counties of Wetzel, Harrison, Marion and Monongalia.

The usual business was transacted by the Grand Lodge at its final session. The various committees that had been appointed to look after the business of the order made their reports and action was taken upon them. This business concerned matters pertaining to all of the Masonic Blue Lodges in the state, of which there are about 130. Dispositions were granted to four lodges during the past year and regular charters were granted them by the Grand Lodge. The Grand Lodge has about \$6,000 balance in its treasury. There is also a fund which now amounts to \$2,500 for a state Masonic widows and orphans' home, which the Grand Lodge intends to establish sometime in the future. This session of the Grand Lodge was the

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Arthur Parsons returned Friday morning from an eastern trip.

BOY'S ARM TORN OFF BY DISCHARGE OF SHOT GUN

Twelve-Year-Old Ray McClung is Perhaps Fatally Wounded by Accidental Explosion of Shot Gun Held in Hands of His Nephew Walter McClung, Aged 17.

Wounded Boy is Taken to Hospital Where He Now Lies in Critical Condition—Accident Occurred In Front of Wounded Boy's Home in North View Early Friday Morning as Elder One was Starting on hunting Trip.

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Constable Marcelino McClung was at the breakfast table in his home nearby when he heard the explosion of the weapon. He rushed out and seeing Ray's wounded condition, summoned help and had him taken into the house. He then rushed after a doctor. By use of the telephone he found Dr. J. B. Payne who went to the assistance of the wounded boy. The little fellow nearly bled to death before medical attention was rendered because of the nature of the wound. An ambulance was summoned and the wounded lad was taken to the City hospital where the doctors rendered further medical attention to his injury.

The physicians saw that it would be necessary to amputate the wounded arm in order to save the boy's life and the lad was placed on the operating table at 1:30 o'clock.

The arm was amputated near the shoulder and the patient withstood the operation successfully. He is in a very weak condition from the loss of so much blood, but the doctors say he has chances for recovery. The little fellow was very brave and while he suffered great agony from his wound he bore up wonderfully for one of his years.

The shooting was purely accidental. Walter had procured the shot gun from the house, presumably to go hunting. Both boys were standing in front of the house talking when the weapon was discharged.

The wounded boy is the son of Charles McClung and Walter is the son of Robert McClung. Although younger than Walter, Ray is his uncle, Walter is nearly distracted over the unfortunate occurrence. The boy's mother is also greatly grieved and pained over the deplorable affair, as are the other members of the family.

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